Production of cotton

285. SHRI BHUPINDER SINGH MANN: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) what was the production of cotton during the last four years, year-wise,

(b) how much cotton has been given to the powerloom and handloom sectors separately during the said period; and

(c) the capacity of powerloom and handlook sectors separately and their capacity utilization for producing textile?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) Production of cotton in the country during the last 4 years was as follows:

Year	Production of cotton in lakh bales (1 bele=170 kgs)
1990-91	117.00
1991-92	119.00
1992-93	135.00
1993-94	121.50

(b) Powerloom and Handloom sectors do not consume cotton directly. They use yarn manufactured out of cotton.

(c) Information regarding capacity and capacity utilisation for producing textiles in powerloom and handloom sector is not maintained.

CBI investigation into contract to Bagiya Restaurant

286. SHRI VIJAY KUMAR MALHOTRA:
DR. RANBIR SINGH:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) on what terms the ITDC authorities had given a contract to Bagiya restaurant;

(b) was the normal procedure adopted;

(c) how many tenders came and which one was the lowest; and

(d) whether there is any proposal to ask the CBI to conduct an investigation into the matter?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) A Contract for licensing out space in the lawns of Ashok Yatri Niwas for running a Barbe-que (Bagiya) Restaurant, was awarded on Nov. 1994 to M/s Excel Hotels & Restaurants Inc. for a period of 3 years on charging licence fee @ 21% of the sales proceeds of the restaurant subject to a minimum guaranteed amnount of Rs. 3.01 lakhs per annum.

(b) According to information received from ITDC, normal proceudre was dully followed.

(c) Tenders for the said restaurant were invited four times. A total of twelve offers were received in response to all the four advertisements put together. The lowest offer was for Rs. 0.72 lakhs per annum.

(d) An enquiry has been ordered into the awarding of the Contract and on receipt of the Enquiry Report, further decision will be taken.

Telecast of Tulu programmes from AIR, Bangalore Kendra

287.SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the All India Radio, Bangalore Kendra has recently launched a Tulu programme to be aired every week for a very short duration; and

(b) whether considering that there is a vast popualtion of more than 35 lakhs speaking Tulu in Dakshin Kennada area, the Government would make it a daily feature to broadcast Tulu news/programmes from its Mangalore Kendra and make available adequate studio/production facilities both at Bangalore and Mangalore AIR Kendras for production of Tulu features?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K.P. SINGH DEO): (a) and (b) No, Sir. However, a weekly 5 minute news summary in Tulu has been introduced from All India Radio, Mangalore with effect from 6th July, 1995. There is no proposal at present to start a daily programme in this dialect from the station.

Additional financial commitments

288. SHRI ASHOK MITRA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the additional financial comitments Government have entered into since the end of the last Budget Session of Parliament;

(b) measures proposed or contemplated to meet these additional commitments; and

(c) whether such measures are likely to involve serious inflationary consequences?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M.V. CHANDRASEKHARA MURTHY): (a) The Post-Budget commitments of the Government will be relfected in the Revised Estiamtes 1995-96 and wherever necessary Parliamentary approval for the additional expenditure will be obtained through the supplementary grants to be presented in the monsoon, winter and the Budget session.

(b) and (c) The financing of the expenditure will be similarly reflected in the Revised Estimates of receipts in the current year. While deciding the measures for additional resource mobilisation as may be necessary the inflationary factor is normally taken into account.

Newsitem captioned "Cow strayed into CNN shot"

289. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of Government has been drawn to the press newsitem captioned "Cow strayed into CNN shot" as reported in 'Hindustan Times' dated 2nd July, 1995;

(b) if so, the facts thereof and the reaction of the Government on the newsitem;

(c) whether the CNN has shown Kashmir as a part of Pakistan in the map;

(d) if so, the reaction of the Government in this regard;

(e) whether Government propose to delink DD with CNN; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K.P. SINGH DEO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The 10 second promotional headline which related to a report on the boyant state of the Indian economy shown on the DD/CNN channel on 30th June, 1995 had, *inter-alia* contained shots of cattle on the streets of Bombay.

(c) No, Sir. According to CNNI the reports to this effect were incorrect.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) and (f) There is no such proposal

बैंकों में लापरवाही और कदाचार

290. चौधरी हरमोहन सिंह: क्या वित्त मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या बैंक कर्मचारियों की लापरवाही और कदाचारों से भी बैंकों को घाटा हो रहा है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) गत तीन वर्षों के दौरान इस संबंध में किये गये निवारक और दंडात्मक उपायों का ब्यौरा क्या है?